

Belmont Council on Aging

Board of Directors Meeting October 4, 2004

*Present: J. Bruschi, E. Hamann, N. Hegarty, J. Horner, J. Kantor, H. Kazarian, A. Lougee,
B. Miranda, T. Morabito, N. Niv-Bogel, J. Semuels, P. Solomon*

Barbara Mirands (Chair) called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

Acceptance of Minutes The minutes of the September meeting were reviewed, revisions made and accepted as amended. . The dates for January, February, March, April, May, June, July 2005 meetings were incorrect and corrected.

Springwell Report: See attached

Director's Report: See attached.

Additions: There was a discussion about the senior trips. Town accounting policy now states that the vendors will be paid on the day of the trip rather than in advance as before. This means that persons must make reservations earlier. Joel Semuels raised the possibility of putting these trips out to bid with the hope of making pricing more competitive. Nava will look into it. The COA is now organizing of the trips, as the Recreation Dept. is no longer in charge.

Nava reported that Donna Moultrup stated there are several potential meal sites in Belmont that have kitchens that meet regulations.

Old Business:

Barbara Miranda stated that the Friends of the Senior Center's Fundraising committee has been meeting regularly and is preparing to offer a training by Ellen Stevens for potential solicitors.

The Shaw's discount for seniors discussion was postponed until the November board meeting.

New Business:

Neil Hegarty reported that the Sr. Center Building Committee will display the model for the new senior center at Belmont's Environmental Fair on 10/23/04. Volunteers to be present at the booth were requested.

Joel Semuels reported that he had contacted the town counsel regarding the status of the current lease on the Our Lady Parish Hall which expires as of 5/06. The archdiocese has

the right to sell the property, however, the Town has the right to make the first offer. If it is sold it is hoped that we would be able to negotiate an extension, since a new senior center would not be built by then.

The new slate of officers were presented and each was elected by the board unanimously. The officers are: Chair – Neil Hegarty; Vice Chair – Barbara Miranda; Treasurer – Joe Horner, and Secretary (on a rotating basis) – John Bruschi, Anne Lougee, Tom Morabito, Joel Semuels and Phyl Solomon. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Phyl Solomon